



MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Family Leadership Training Institute

For Families with Children with Special Health Needs



Are you:

- Looking to advance your leadership skills?
- Interested in improving systems of care serving children with special health needs?
- Seeking ways to connect with other families across the state with similar issues and goals?

Learn about the Family Leadership Training Institute

What is it?

A 5-part series, available to 12 trainees per series, that addresses:

- Understanding the wide range of ways in which family members can “lead”
- Learning about your own leadership style and how to use it to make a difference
- Concrete skills such as effective communication, team building and conflict negotiation
- Identifying and implementing a hands-on community action project with mentorship

Who should apply?

- Parents of children with special health needs between the ages of 5 – 15
- Family members – mothers and fathers - from across the state, representing a broad range of disabilities and special health needs, geographic, racial and ethnic diversity
- Parents who may have participated in other training programs who seek to enhance their knowledge, skills, networks and opportunities

When are the sessions and where?

- Selected participants must commit to attending the entire 5-part series, starting at 2:00 p.m. Friday ending the next day, Saturday at 4:00 p.m. on the following dates: February 5 – 6, March 11 -12, April 22 – 23, May 20 – 21, and Saturday, June 4, 2016.
- All meals, overnight accommodations at the Royal Plaza Best Western Hotel in Marlboro, as well as a stipend will be provided to accepted participants.



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Deadline to apply is December 15.